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With respect to patent applications, the applicants point out their duty under M.P.E.P. §2001.06(b) to disclose relevant patent applications of which they are aware. To this end, the applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the following patent applications;

1. U.S.S.N. 08/312,388, filed September 26, 1994, now Patent Number 5,620,850; U.S.S.N. 08/786,187, filed January 21, 1997; U.S.S.N. 09/296,111, filed April 21, 1999; and 09/296,078, filed April 21, 1999.
2. United States Serial Number 08/743,798, filed November 5, 1996; U.S.S.N. 08/873,978, filed June 12, 1997; U.S.S.N. 08/899,510, July 24, 1997; U.S.S.N. 08/911,085, filed August 14, 1997, now Patent Number 6,090,933; U.S.S.N. 09/557,577, filed April 21, 2000; and U.S.S.N. 09/577,429, filed May 22, 2000.
3. U.S.S.N. 08/786,153, filed January 21, 1997, now abandoned; U.S.S.N. 08/804,883, filed February 24, 1997, now abandoned; and U.S.S.N. 08/843,623, filed April 10, 1997.
4. U.S.S.N. 09/096,593, filed June 12, 1998.
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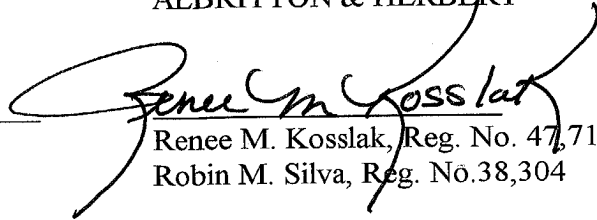
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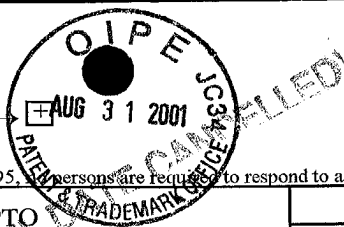


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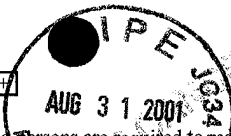
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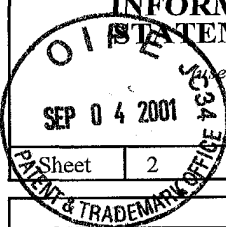
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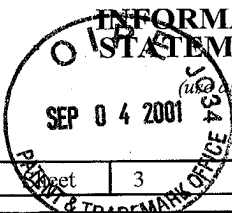
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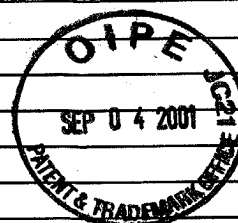
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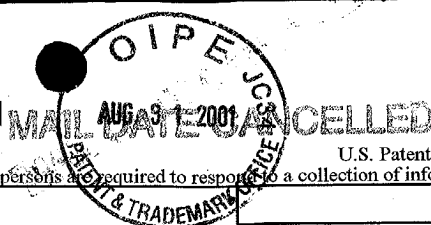
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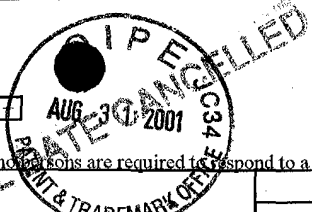
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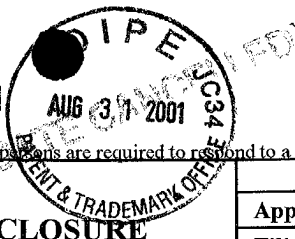
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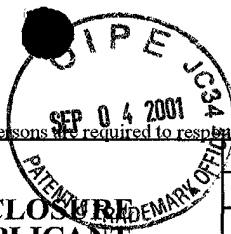
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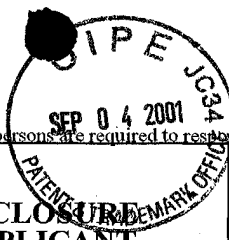
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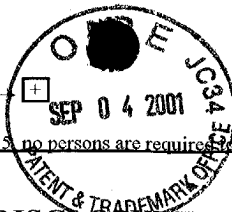
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